



MEDIA RELEASE

Strong-Arm Robbery, Public's Help Sought

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On April 18, 2012, at 11:15 a.m., officers from the Santa Barbara Police Department responded to City Lot 9, the parking structure off of 900 Anacapa Street, on a call of a strong-arm robbery that had just occurred. The victim, a 72-year old man, had just purchased a computer worth \$1,800.00 at the Apple Store at 928 State Street and was walking back to his car which was parked on the second level of the structure. The suspect approached the victim from behind and tried to tear the plastic bag containing the computer from the victim's grasp. The victim tried to hold on to his property, however lost his footing and fell, striking the back of his head on the ground. The suspect fled with the computer on foot down the parking structure ramp to Canon Perdido Street, east to Anacapa Street, and then south on Anacapa.

The victim sustained a minor abrasion that was treated at the scene by paramedics.

The suspect is still at large. He is described as a Hispanic male in his twenties who was wearing a gray beanie, gray sweatshirt, and dark colored pants. Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact Santa Barbara Police Detective Bryan Jensen at (805) 897-2384 or to call anonymously to (805) 897-2386.

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